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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to an Interview Summary (Paper No. 20090918) dated September 18, 2009. The Interview Summary was mailed on September 21, 2009, and states that if a formal written reply to the last Office Action has already been filed, Applicant's Statement of the substance of the interview is due within a 30 day or one-month period, whichever is longer, from the interview date or the mailing date of the Interview Summary, whichever is later. Accordingly, the due date for submission of Applicants' Statement is therefore October 21, 2009. Since this Statement is filed within the specified period, this Statement is timely filed.

Telephonic Interview

Applicants thank Examiner Carlos A. Azpuru for the courtesy of an interview on September 18, 2009 with Janet Xiao, representative of the Applicants. The subject of the telephonic interview was the status of the claims. Examiner Azpuru explained that the claims did not appear to be in condition for allowance, and that the new limitations would have to be reviewed for possible new matter issues.

If the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief (such as payment of a fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (p)) is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petition and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing **(146392000500)**.

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